SELECTBOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, August 15, 2017, 6:05 p.m, Old Schoolhouse Common

Present: Selectboard members Laurie Colgan, Chris Martin and Andy Perchlik; Town Clerk Bobbi Brimblecombe; Tovar and Catherine Cerulli

At 6:00 p.m. the meeting was called to order by Chair Chris Martin

Changes or additions to the agenda: none

Public Comment: none

Review and Approval of Minutes: Approved the minutes of August 1, 2017

Noise Ordinance: Tovar and Catherine Cerulli attended the meeting to discuss the possibility of enacting a noise ordinance in Town. They noted the increase in noise in town, and noted that there are no regulations. Other activities that impact others, such as land use, erosion, etc. have either town or state guidelines. Andy is concerned about how an ordinance could be enforced, and he worries that an ordinance would prevent neighbors from talking to each other. Chris noted that an ordinance could be used to get the Selectboard involved in a dispute between neighbors. The Board discussed the difference between having a separate noise ordinance and addressing noise through the zoning ordinance. The Cerullis will form an ad-hoc committee and do more research, and possibly schedule a public forum or arrange other ways to gather public opinion about a noise ordinance.

Road Crew Vacancy: Laurie moved to hire Shane Brickey to fill the road crew vacancy, effective September 5th, at a rate of \$19.00 per hour for a six-month probation period. Chris seconded – all in favor.

Personnel Policy: The Board amended the personnel policy to remove the 30-day waiting period for health insurance; new employees will be eligible on the first day of the month following their start date.

Davis Dog: The Board signed a protective order requiring Vivian Davis to erect a fence to keep her dogs on her property.

Unlicensed Dogs: The Selectboard will ask the Constable to issue tickets to people who still haven't licensed their dogs.

Generator Project: The Board tabled signing the generator contract until the location of the transfer switch can be clarified.

Personnel Issue: The Board entered executive session at 7:45 to discuss a personnel issue. The Board returned to open session at 8:15.

Expenses, Permits & Payroll: Selectboard members read and signed reports for General Expenses and Payroll.

The meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Bobbi Brimblecombe, Town Clerk

A True Record. Attest,	, Town Clerk
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The foregoing is a true copy of the Minutes of the August 15, 2017 Selectboard Meeting.